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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: S. 1035

1. Bernard Martin and John Hurley, Bureau of the Budget, visited the Agency to discuss our personnel procedures as a background against which to look at S. 1035. Present from the Agency were Colonel White, Dr. Tietjen, Robert Bannerman, Howard Osborn, and John S. Warner.

2. Colonel White gave a detailed run-down on our recruitment and screening procedures painting a picture of integrated medical, personnel and security actions. He then discussed some of the problems that would arise under S. 1035 putting particular emphasis on the right to counsel, right to file suits in the District Court, and hearings before the Board of Employees Appeals as being even more serious problems than the requirements on the use of polygraph and psychiatric testing.

3. Martin and Hurley seemed to understand our situation and the situation of other law enforcement, intelligence, or security agencies. They indicated they had been requested by the Post Office and Civil Service Committee of the House for a report. They had sent queries to Defense, State, Justice and ourselves and CIA was the only one to reply as yet. There was consideration of their asking for a report from AEC and Martin indicated he thought he would go forward on this.

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4. Colonel White also stressed that he felt the Administration should take the lead in presenting the problems that will be encountered by the various agencies. Martin indicated that undoubtedly Mr. Macy would be a key figure in the House hearings. Martin inquired if there were any possibilities of modifying language in the bill that would meet our purpose. It was indicated that while in theory this might be possible, the entire concepts of Agency personnel security were at variance with the bill's concepts of rights and that it would seem doubtful that language could be agreed upon to bridge these opposing concepts.

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